



Application No.: 10/727,335  
Attorney Docket # 21267-201

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of:

David J. Hammond *et al.*

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Group Art Unit: 1645

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Examiner: Angieszka Boesen

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES  
REQUIREMENTS**

Dear Sir:

This Response to Restriction and Election of Species Requirement is in reply to the Office Action dated **May 23, 2006**, in the above-identified application, for which a petition for a two month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee, is attached, making

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below, with sufficient postage, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AMENDMENTS, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

BY Houri Khalilian

DATE: March 28, 2006

reply due on or before **August 23, 2006**.